

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of cleaning a filter clogged with flocculating materials is provided. The method comprises determining the flocculated materials clogged on the filter and adding a dispersing agent to break up said flocculated materials to form dispersed precipitates. Then
5 the dispersed precipitates are removed from the filter in a regular cleaning such as backflushing.

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